

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Section 63.71 application of)	WC Docket No. _____
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INTEGRA TELECOM OF MINNESOTA, INC)	
AND)	
ESCHELON TELECOM OF MINNESOTA, INC.)	
)	
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of)	
The Communications Act of 1934, As Amended,)	
To Discontinue the Provision of Service)	

**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF INTEGRA TELECOM OF MINNESOTA, INC
AND ESCHELON TELECOM OF MINNESOTA, INC.**

Competitive local exchange carriers, Integra Telecom of Minnesota, Inc., and Eschelon Telecom of Minnesota, Inc. dba Integra Telecom (collectively, “Integra”), pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (47 U.S.C. § 214) and Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission’s (“Commission”) rules (47 C.F.R. § 63.71), hereby file this Application to discontinue the provision of local exchange and digital subscriber line (“DSL”) services (collectively, “Services”) impacted by CenturyLink copper retirement in the city of Richfield, in the state of Minnesota. In support of this Application, Integra submits the following information:

1. Information Listed In 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1)-(4):

a. Name and Address of Carrier:

Integra Telecom of Minnesota, Inc.
18110 SE 34th Street
Building One, Suite 100
Vancouver, WA 98683
Telephone: (360) 558-6900

Eschelon Telecom of Minnesota, Inc.
18110 SE 34th Street
Building One, Suite 100
Vancouver, WA 98683
Telephone: (360) 558-6900

b. Date of Discontinuance

The planned implantation date for this discontinuance is May 15, 2017.¹

c. Point of Geographic Area of Service Affected:

Services will be discontinued in the city of Richfield, in the state of Minnesota.

d. Brief Description of the Type of Service to be Affected:

The Services are local exchange and DSL services provided to business customers.

2. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected

customers:

On March 15, 2017 Integra sent notice of the discontinuance to all affected customers by First Class U.S. Mail, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment A.

3. Regulatory Classification of Carrier:

Integra is a non-dominant, competitive local exchange carrier.

¹ See WC Docket No. 16-396, CenturyLink/Qwest Public Notice No. 793 (discontinuance at Richfield 66th St.).

4. Service:

In accordance with § 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules, Integra is submitting a copy of the Application by First Class U.S. Mail to the Minnesota Public Utility Commission, the Governor of Minnesota, and the Secretary of Defense (at the address provided at § 63.71(a)).

5. Additional Questions Regarding This Application May be Addressed to the Undersigned.

6. Circumstances of Discontinuance and Certification of Basis for Discontinuance²

Integra provides the Services to approximately 48 business customers in Richfield, Minnesota. In accordance with the conditions set forth in 47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(i)(1-2), Integra submits this application to the Commission more than 40 days prior to the planned copper retirement effective date of May 15, 2017, and certifies by the Affidavit in Attachment B of this Application that the planned copper retirement of Qwest Corporation ("CenturyLink")³ is the basis for this application and made this discontinuance unavoidable.

7. Automatic Grant of Application.

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(i)(1-2), Applicants respectfully request that this Application be automatically granted on the effective date of the copper retirement causing this discontinuance to be unavoidable.

² See *Technology Transitions; USTelecom Petition for Declaratory Ruling That Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers Are Non-Dominant in the Provision of Switched Access Services; Policies and Rules Governing Retirement Of Copper Loops by Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers*, GN Docket No. 13-5, WC Docket No. 13-3, RM-11358, Declaratory Ruling, Second Report and Order, and Order on Reconsideration, FCC 16-90 (rel. July 15, 2016), at ¶ 202 (revising the Commission's rules to make a competitive LEC's application for discontinuance automatically granted on the effective date of the copper retirement that made the discontinuance unavoidable, as long as the discontinuance application is filed at least at least 40 days before the incumbent LEC's copper retirement effective date and the competitive LEC certifies that the copper retirement was the basis for the application).

³ See WC Docket No. 16-396, CenturyLink/Qwest Public Notice No. 793, discontinuance at Richfield 66th St location.

V. **CONCLUSION**

Integra certifies that the planned copper retirement of CenturyLink⁴ is the basis for this application and made this discontinuance unavoidable, and submits this application to the Commission more than 40 days prior to the copper retirement effective date (on or after May 15, 2017). Additionally, Integra has provided proper notice to the affected business customers. Accordingly, Integra respectfully requests that the Commission deem this Application granted on the effective date of the copper retirement, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 63.71.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas Denney", with a stylized flourish at the end.

By: _____
Douglas Denney
Vice President, Costs & Policy
Electric Lightwave
18110 SE 34th St.
Building One, Suite 100
Vancouver, WA 98683

⁴ *Id.*

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on March 22, 2017 the foregoing Section 63.71 Application was served by mailing true and correct copies by UPS overnight delivery to:

Secretary of Defense
Attn: Special Assistance for Telecommunications
Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301

Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 Seventh Place East
Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101-2147

Office of Governor Mark Dayton
130 State Capitol
75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dated: this 22 day of March, 2017.



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ATTACHMENT A
CUSTOMER NOTICE



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03/15/2017

Attention: [REDACTED]

Re location [REDACTED]

URGENT: YOUR VOICE AND/OR INTERNET SERVICE WILL BE IMPACTED IF YOU DO NOT TAKE ACTION

Dear [REDACTED],

We recently contacted you about a change that will result in the discontinuance of the voice and/or internet service that you have with Integra. This letter is to again notify you that on or after May 15, 2017 CenturyLink will no longer provide the underlying network facilities that we use to serve your business. As a result, on or after May 15, Integra will no longer be able to provide the services you are receiving.

ACTION REQUIRED: Please take action now to transfer your Integra service to another provider.

If you do not initiate a transfer of your Integra service at least 30-to-45 days prior to May 15, 2017, you may experience an interruption in service.

We have appreciated serving you and thank you for your immediate attention to this matter. Please feel free to contact me directly if you have questions or need assistance with this transition.

Sincerely,

Teeayr Ator, Manager Customer Operations
Phone: 406-294-4055
Email: tator@integratelecom.com

ATTACHMENT B

AFFIDAVIT

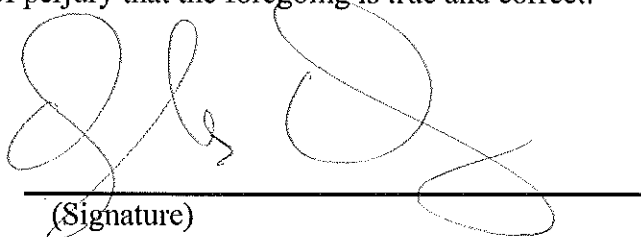
State of: WASHINGTON
County of: CLARK

Personally appeared before me, Douglas Denney, Vice President of Costs and Policy for Integra Telecom of Minnesota, Inc., and Eschelon Telecom of Minnesota, Inc. dba Integra Telecom (collectively, "Integra"), duly authorized to execute and file this affidavit with the Federal Communications Commission.

I, Douglas Denney, declare as follows:

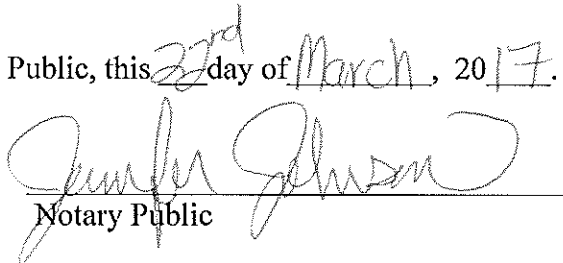
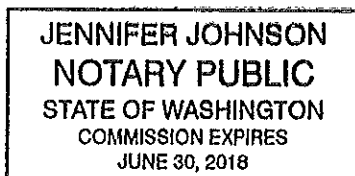
1. A planned copper retirement of CenturyLink is the basis for the § 63.71 Application of Integra, and makes this discontinuance unavoidable consistent with the condition set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(i)(2).
2. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAITH NOT.
DATED: March 22, 2017



(Signature)
Name: Douglas Denney
Title: Vice President of Costs & Policy

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 22nd day of March, 2017.


Notary Public